## Asian Mayors' Policy Dialogue for the Promotion of Environmentally Sustainable Transport in Cities to be Held

As indicated in the press release announced on 25 January, 2007, Ministry of the Environment Japan will organize "the Asian Mayors' Policy Dialogue for the Promotion of Environmentally Sustainable Transport (EST) in Cities" jointly with the United Nations Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD), the ASEAN Working Group on Environmentally Sustainable Cities (AWGESC), and the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES) on 23-24 April 2007, in Kyoto, Japan.

The participating cities and the program are formed as follow. City mayors attending from 30 cities of 17 countries (Japan, 10 ACEAN countries, China, Korea, Mongolia, India, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka) will share best practices and lessons learned, and discuss further promotion of EST in Asia. The entry is open to the public. Press coverage is encouraged.

Date

April 23-24, 2007

• Venue

Kyoto International Conference Center (Sakyo-ku, Kyoto, JAPAN)

• Organizer

MOEJ, UNCRD, AWGESC, IGES

• Co-organizer

Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, and Transport, Japan (MLITJ)

ICLEI Local Governments for Sustainability

• Participants

City mayors from Asian countries

Academic experts in transportation and environment fields

Representatives from international organizations

• Attending Cities

Phnom Penh, Siem Reap (Cambodia), Vientiane, Luang Prabang (Lao PDR), Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh (Vietnam), Mandalay (Myanmar), Kuala Lumpur, Kuching (Malaysia), Manila, Quezon (Philippines),

Yogyakarta, Surabaya, Samarang (Indonesia), Singapore (Singapore), Bangkok, Korat (Thailand), Bandar Seri Begawan (Brunei Darussalam), Tianjin, Nanjing (People's Republic of China), Seoul, Jeju (Korea), Ulaanbaatar (Mongolia), Dhaka, Sylhet (Bangladesh), Bangalore, Bhubaneswar (India), Matale (Sri Lanka), Kyoto, Nagoya (Japan)

How to register for observation or press coverage Please check the detail on the WEB site below. IGES: Secretariat Office for Asian Mayors' Dialogue Web site <u>http://www.iges.or.jp/en/est2007/access.html</u>

Previous Press Release

"Asian Mayors' Policy Dialogue for the Promotion of Environmentally Sustainable Transport in Cities to Be Held" (January 25, 2007)

http://www.env.go.jp/en/headline/headline.php?serial=274

"Observer Application for "Asian Mayors' Policy Dialogue for the Promotion of Environmentally Sustainable Transport in Cities" to Begin" (February 26, 2007)

http://www.env.go.jp/en/headline/headline.php?serial=327